

automation involved. Subsequent reviews will additionally consist of evaluating the data received from the importers, along with the internal and external process operations of the NCAP/P.

Additional importers may become eligible during the prototype period, using the eligibility requirements cited above, thereby increasing the number of companies involved in the NCAP/P. The evaluation of the prototype as it pertains to these importers may occur separately from that which is done on the original participants. Regardless, the intention of the evaluations is to enhance operational procedures and to develop the detailed data requirements that are needed for NCAP.

Note that the fact of participation in the NCAP/P is not confidential information. Lists of participants will be made available to the public by means of the Customs Electronic Bulletin Board and the Customs Administrative Message System, and upon written request. We stress that all interested parties are invited to comment on the design, conduct, and evaluation of NCAP/P at any time during prototype.

Upon conclusion of the prototype the final results will be published in the **Federal Register** and the Customs Bulletin as required by § 101.9(b), Customs Regulations and reported to Congress.

Dated: March 21, 1997.

Audrey Adams,

Acting Assistant Commissioner, Office of Field Operations.

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Bureau of the Public Debt

Proposed Collection: Comment Request

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently the Bureau of the Public Debt within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Application For Issue Of United States Mortgage Guaranty Insurance Company Tax And Loss Bonds.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before May 27, 1997, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Bureau of the Public Debt, Vicki S. Thorpe, 200 Third Street, Parkersburg, WV 26106-1328.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Vicki S. Thorpe, Bureau of the Public Debt, 200 Third Street, Parkersburg, WV 26106-1328, (304) 480-6553.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Application For Issue Of United States Mortgage Guaranty Insurance Company Tax and Loss Bonds.

Form Number: PD F 3871.

Abstract: The information is used to establish and maintain Tax and Loss Bond Accounts.

Current Actions: The current collection is used to establish Tax and Loss Bond Accounts. The additional information will allow for Direct Deposit (ACH) for payments.

Type of Review: New.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 80.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 20.

Request for Comments

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: March 20, 1997.

Vicki S. Thorpe,

Manager, Graphics, Printing and Records Branch.

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